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**Mailing Date: January 30, 2017**

Mr. Kevin Snyder, CEO  
Bethany Home Inc.

[REDACTED] RE: Eck Group Home [REDACTED]

Dear Mr. Snyder:

As a result of the Department of Human Services' licensing inspection on November 28, 2016 of the above facility, the violations with 55 Pa.Code Ch. 3800 (relating to Child Residential and Day Treatment Facilities) specified on the enclosed License Inspection Summary were found.

All violations specified on the enclosed License Inspection Summary must be corrected by the dates specified on the License Inspection Summary and continued compliance with 55 Pa.Code Ch. 3800 must be maintained.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B.H." followed by a stylized surname.

Brian Hazlak, MA  
Child Residential Licensing Manager

Enclosure  
Licensing Inspection Summary

**VIOLATION REPORT**  
**CHILD RESIDENTIAL LICENSING - 55 Pa.Code Chapter 3800**

Facility Name: ECK GROUP HOME	License Number: 24576	
Address: [REDACTED]	County: Berks	
Director: Melinda Castro	Region: NORTHEAST	
Legal Entity Name: BETHANY HOME INC		
Legal Entity Address: [REDACTED]		
<b>Certificate(s) of Occupancy</b>		
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Program Type: Residential Services	Licensed Capacity: 14	Number of Children Served: 7
Type of Inspection: Partial	BHA Docket Number:	Notice: Unannounced
<b>Reason(s) for Inspection(s)</b> Incident		
<b>On-Site Inspections Dates and Department Representatives On-Site</b> 11/28/2016; Piazza, Gerard; Bosack, Amie		
<b>Off-Site Inspection Dates and Inspectors, if Applicable</b>		
<b>Other Details</b>		
Partial or Full Triggers:	Random Indicators:	
<b>Child Demographic Data as of Inspection Dates</b>		
<b>Age of Children:</b> 0 to 5 years: 0 6 to 13 years: 0 14 to 17 years: 3 18 to 21 years: 4	<b>Number of Children who:</b> Are Adjudicated Delinquent: 1 Are Dependent: 7 Have Mental Illness: 6 Have an Intellectual Disability: 2 Have a Physical Disability: 0	

Licensing Inspection Summary: 24576 - 11/28/2016 - Piazza, Gerard

Facility Name: ECK GROUP HOME

## 1. REGULATION 55 Pa.Code §3800

3800.15(a) - The facility shall immediately report suspected abuse of a child in accordance with 23 Pa.C.S. §§ 6301-6385 (relating to the Child Protective Services Law) and Chapter 3490 (relating to protective services).

## 2a. DESCRIPTION OF VIOLATION

On [REDACTED] Child # 1 made allegations of sexual abuse, naming Staff Member A as the alleged perpetrator. This incident was not reported through the Child Welfare Information Solution until [REDACTED]

## 3. PLAN OF CORRECTION (POC) (Attach pages as necessary. Remember that you must sign and date any attached pages.)

*Include steps to correct the violation described above and steps to prevent a similar violation from occurring again. If steps cannot be completed immediately, include dates by which the steps will be completed.*

See attached

Repeat Violation: No	Date(s) of Previous Violation(s):			
Signature of Legal Entity Representative <i>(Required on EVERY Page)</i>				
Printed Name and Title of Legal Entity Representative <i>(Required on EVERY Page)</i>		Date <i>12/14/16</i>		
<b>DEPARTMENT USE ONLY - FACILITIES MAY NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE!</b>				
The above plan of correction is approved as of <u>12-26-16</u> (Date)		Plan of correction implementation status as of <u>1-30-17</u> (Date)		
The above plan of correction was approved by <u>BH</u> (Initials)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Fully Implemented</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Partially Implemented - Adequate Progress</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Partially Implemented - Inadequate Progress</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Not Implemented</li> </ul>		

Licensing Inspection Summary: 24576 - 11/28/2016 - Piazza, Gerard  
 Facility Name: ECK GROUP HOME

**1. REGULATION 55 Pa. Code §3800**

3800.15(b) - If there is an allegation of child abuse involving facility staff persons, the facility shall submit and implement a plan of supervision in accordance with 23 Pa.C.S. § 6368 (relating to investigation of reports) and § 3490.56 (relating to county agency investigation of suspected child abuse perpetrated by persons employed or supervised by child care services and residential facilities).

**2a. DESCRIPTION OF VIOLATION**

On [REDACTED] Child # 1 made allegations of sexual abuse, naming Staff Member A as the alleged perpetrator. The facility did not submit and implement a plan of supervision.

**3. PLAN OF CORRECTION (POC)** (Attach pages as necessary. Remember that you must sign and date any attached pages.)

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 Facility Name: ECK GROUP HOME

**1. REGULATION 55 Pa.Code §3800**

3800.16(c) - The facility shall complete a written reportable incident report, on a form prescribed by the Department, and send it to the appropriate Departmental regional office and the contracting agency, within 24 hours.

**2a. DESCRIPTION OF VIOLATION**

On [REDACTED], Child # 1 made allegations of sexual abuse, naming Staff Member A as the alleged perpetrator. This incident was not reported through the Home and Community Services Information System.

**3. PLAN OF CORRECTION (POC)** (Attach pages as necessary. Remember that you must sign and date any attached pages.)

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The above plan of correction was approved by <u>b4</u> <small>(Initials)</small>	

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## Plan of Corrections for November 2016

Eck Cottage	Immediate Fix	Long Term Solution	Person Monitoring the Implementation
Compliance Code 3800.15(a)	<p>The facility shall immediately report suspected abuse of a child in accordance with ... (relating to Child Protective Services Law) and Chapter 3490 (relating to protective services).</p> <p>On [REDACTED] Child #1 made allegations of sexual abuse, naming Staff Member A as the alleged perpetrator. This incident was not reported through the Child Welfare Information Solution until [REDACTED]</p> <p>Upon hearing of the allegations, Directors reviewed the incident with staff that Child #1 made the allegations to. Staff were informed that even though Child #1 stated he was making allegations to get Staff Member A fired, a report needed to be made to Childline. A Childline call was placed immediately.</p>	<p>It will be reiterated to all staff during December TCI refreshers when Childline calls need to be made.</p>	Director of Staff Development
Compliance Code 3800.15(b)	If there is an allegation of child abuse involving facility staff persons, the facility shall	Immediately upon receiving any allegations of child abuse involving a staff person, staff	Team Supervisors, OCCS, Directors

*Darryl J. Stierer, Director  
12/4/16*

## Plan of Corrections for November 2016

	<p>submit and implement a plan of supervision ...</p> <p>On [REDACTED] Child #1 made allegations of sexual abuse, naming Staff Member A as the alleged perpetrator. The facility did not submit and implement a plan of supervision.</p> <p>Staff Member A is no longer employed with the agency. The allegations have also been unfounded.</p>	<p>members receiving the allegation will contact Childline. Staff member will then contact Team Supervisor/OCCS and a plan of supervision will be implemented immediately until an investigation is completed.</p>	
<b>Compliance Code 3800.16 (c)</b>	<p>The facility shall complete a written reportable incident report, on a form prescribed by the Department, and send it to the appropriate Departmental regional office and the contracting agency, within 24 hours.</p> <p>Upon hearing of the allegations, Directors reviewed the incident with staff that Child #1 made the allegations to. Staff were informed that even though Child #1 stated he was making allegations to get Staff Member A fired (presumably false pretenses), a</p>	<p>Staff Members were informed that even though the allegations were presumably false as stated by Child #1, a written reportable incident report still need to be filed and will need to be filed for any future allegations.</p>	<p>Team Supervisors, OCCS, Directors</p> <p><i>Amber Sperner Amy Sperner Director of OA 12/14/16</i></p>

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Plan of Corrections for November 2016

	written reportable incident report still needed to be completed. This was completed on [REDACTED]		
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Donya Soffner  
Amy Soffner  
Director of QA  
12/14/16